

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
COLUMBUS DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	CRIMINAL NO: 4:18-CR-20 (CDL)
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v.	:	
	:	
JOSEPH THOMAS	:	
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CONSENT ORDER FOR CONTINUANCE

The Defendant in the above-styled case was indicted on April 12, 2018, arraigned on November 8, 2018, and was granted pretrial release.

In this case, the Government has represented to the Court that the parties are requesting additional time to conduct discovery and negotiations.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above-referenced matter be continued hereafter to the March, 2019 term, and that the Speedy Trial deadline for the trial in this matter imposed by 18 U.S.C. § 3161(c)(1) be extended to that time.

It is the Court's finding that the ends of justice [18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A)] served by the granting of this continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the Defendant in a speedy trial for the reason that failure to grant such continuance could result in a miscarriage of justice [18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(B)(i)]; and the failure to grant such continuance would deny counsel for the Defendant and the government the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence [18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(B)(iv)].

SO ORDERED, this 9th day of November, 2018.

s/Clay D. Land _____
CLAY D. LAND, CHIEF JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT